In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1-3 (canceled).

Claim 4 (previously presented):

A device comprising:

a cobalt-nickel-chromium-based alloy, wherein the cobalt-nickel-chromium-based alloy has the following composition:

42% to 48% cobalt by weight; 19% to 25% nickel by weight; 16% to 20% chromium by weight; 2% to 6% molybdenum by weight; 2% to 6% tungsten by weight; 2.7% to 7.5% iron by weight; and titanium and beryllium for the balance, wherein the device is selected from the group consisting of: a stent, a spring, a needle, and a guide wire.

Claim 5 (previously presented):

The device according to claim 4,

wherein the device is a cardiovascular stent.

Claim 6 (previously presented):

The device according to claim 4,

wherein the device is a coil spring.

Claim 7 (previously presented):

The device according to claim 4,

wherein the device is a torsion spring.

Claim 8 (previously presented):

The device according to claim 4,

wherein the device is a biopsy needle.

Claim 9 (previously presented):

The device according to claim 4,

wherein the device consists essentially entirely of the cobalt-nickel-chromium-based alloy.

Claim 10-16 (canceled)

Claim 17 (currently amended):

A method of treating a patient, comprising:

inserting a stent into a cavity of a patient, wherein the stent comprises a cobalt-nickel-chromium-based alloy, wherein the cobalt-nickel-chromium-based alloy has the following composition:

42% to 48% cobalt by weight; 19% to 25% nickel by weight; 16% to 20% chromium by weight; 2% to 6% molybdenum by weight; 2% to 6% ~~wolfram~~ tungsten by weight; 2.7% to 7.5% iron by weight; and titanium and beryllium for the balance.

Claim 18 (previously presented):

The method according to claim 17, wherein inserting a stent into a cavity of a patient comprises inserting a stent into a cavity of a patient under nuclear spin tomography magnetic resonance imaging.

Claim 19 (canceled)

Claim 20 (previously presented):

The method according to claim 17,

wherein the stent is a cardiovascular stent.

Claim 21 (previously presented):

The method according to claim 17,

wherein the stent consists essentially entirely of the cobalt-nickel-chromium-based alloy.

Claim 22 (previously presented):

The method according to claim 20,

wherein inserting a stent into a cavity of a patient comprises inserting the stent into a cardiovascular vessel of the patient.

Claim 23 (canceled):

Claim 24 (currently amended):

A method of treating a patient, comprising:

inserting a stent into a cavity of a patient, wherein the stent comprises a cobalt-nickel-chromium-based alloy, wherein the cobalt-nickel-chromium-based alloy has the following composition:

39% to 41% cobalt by weight; 15% to 18% nickel by weight; 19% to 21% chromium by weight; 6.5% to 7.5% molybdenum by weight; up to 0.15% carbon by weight; up to 1.2% silicon by weight; up to 0.01% beryllium by weight; up to 0.015% sulfur by weight; up to 0.015% phosphorous by weight; and iron for the balance, ~~The method according to claim 23,~~ wherein inserting a stent into a cavity of a patient comprises inserting a stent into a cavity of a patient under nuclear spin tomography magnetic resonance imaging.

Claim 25 (canceled)

Claim 26 (currently amended):

The method according to claim ~~23~~ 24,

wherein the stent is a cardiovascular stent.

Claim 27 (currently amended):

The method according to claim ~~23~~ 24,

wherein the stent consists essentially entirely of the cobalt-nickel-chromium-based alloy.

Claim 28 (currently amended):

The method according to claim 26, wherein inserting a stent into a cavity of a patient comprises inserting the stent into a cardiovascular vessel of the patient.